

# MC-80 image quality and SC-120 Stain protocol

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## Case Background

After installation of CAL8000 System , the customer complain on MC-80 image quality :

- Chromatin and Nucleus of Diff cells : The details of nucleus and chromatin not clear , The nucleus have solid dark effect stain.
- Neutrophil: Nucleus is dark and not all cells same , some cells are good and same field there is cells with very dark effect.
- Monocytes: Nucleus Should be blue to grey , the actual effect is dark.
- Eosino : The granules are dark, and the chromatin not show the details.
- Poor nuclear quality contrast, nuclear staining too dark and lack of detail, MC80 erythrocytes are satisfactory but microscopy effect is too pale.

# Case Background

## MERCK Stain :

### Double stain

### Giemsa eosin methylene blue :

Erythrocytes : Reddish-brownish.

Nuclei / Chromatin : Red to violet.

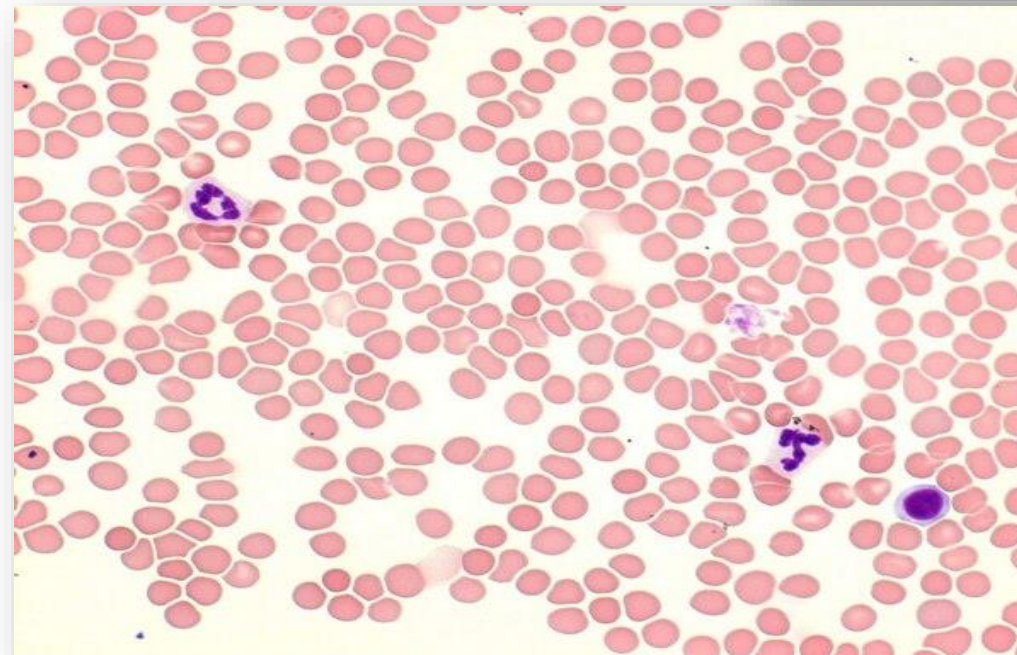
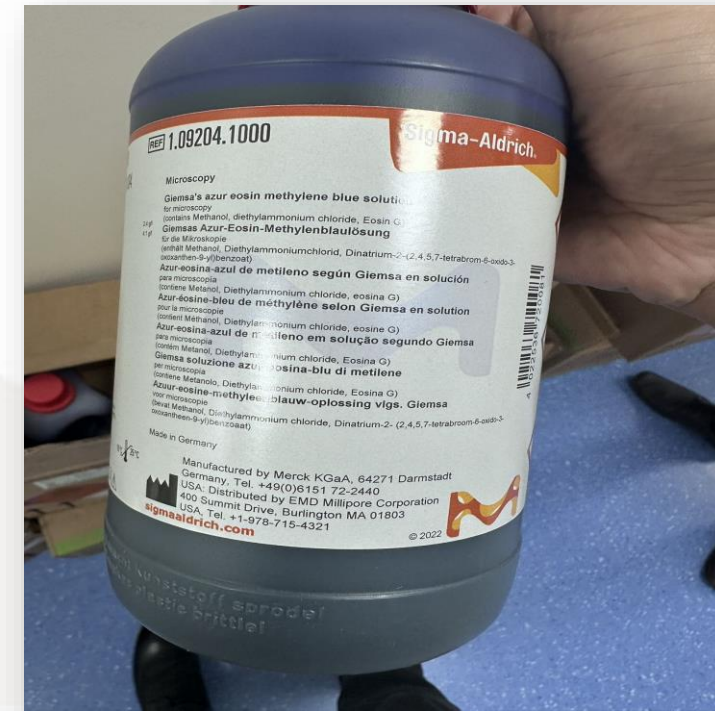
Eosinophilic granules : Reddish to red-brown.

Neutrophilic granules : Light violet.

Lymphocyte cytoplasm : Blue.

Monocyte cytoplasm : Grey-blue.

Basophilic granules : Dark violet.



Reference image



# Case Background

May-Grunwald eosine-methylene

Erythrocytes : Pink to brownish

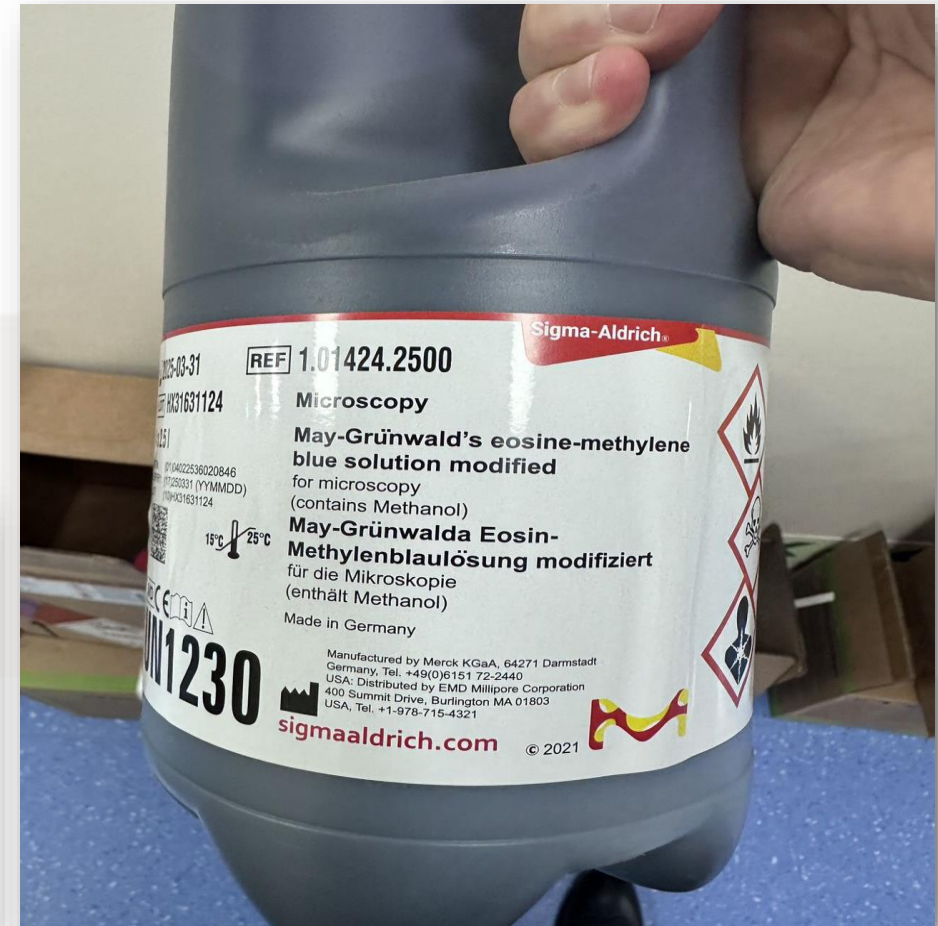
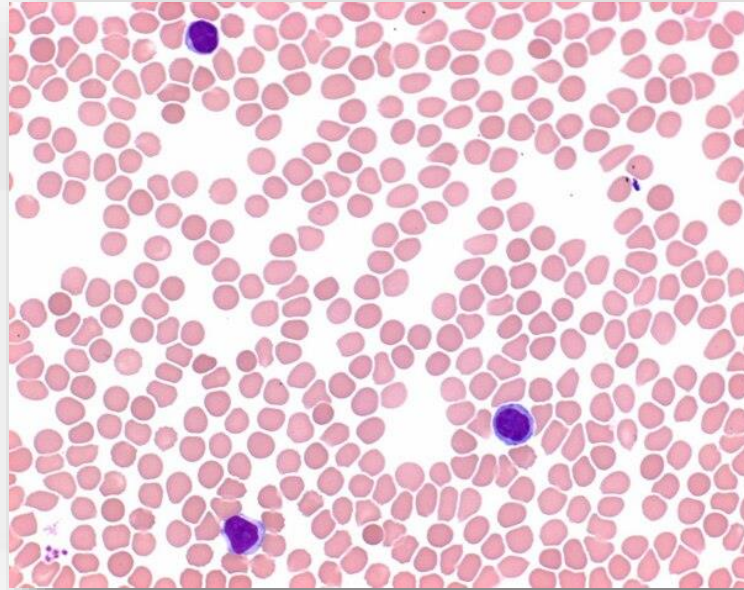
Nuclei : Violet

Eosinophilic granules : Red-brown

Neutrophilic granules : Light violet

Lymphocyte cytoplasm : Blue

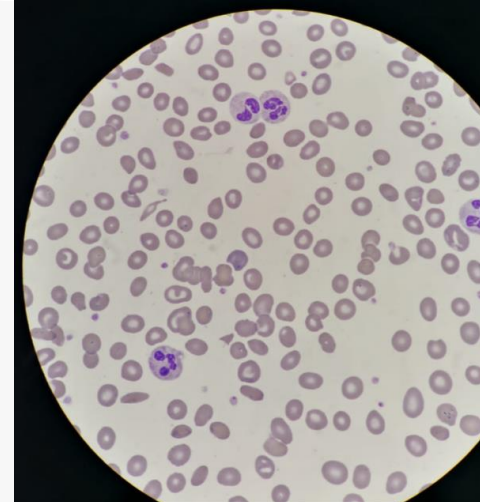
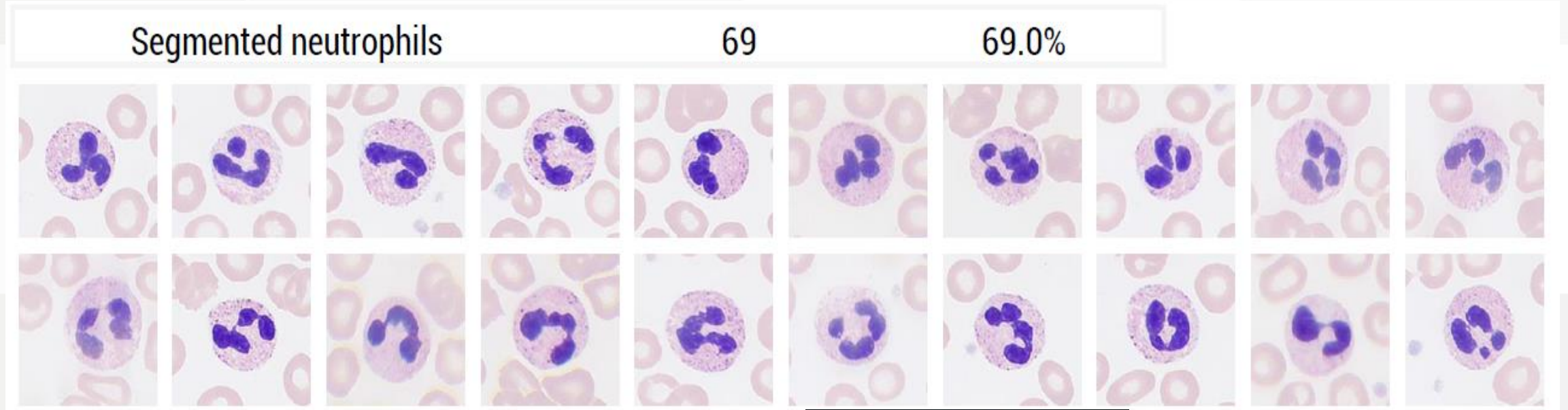
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The resulting stain can vary depending on the influence of fixation, staining times, pH-value of the solutions or buffer substances

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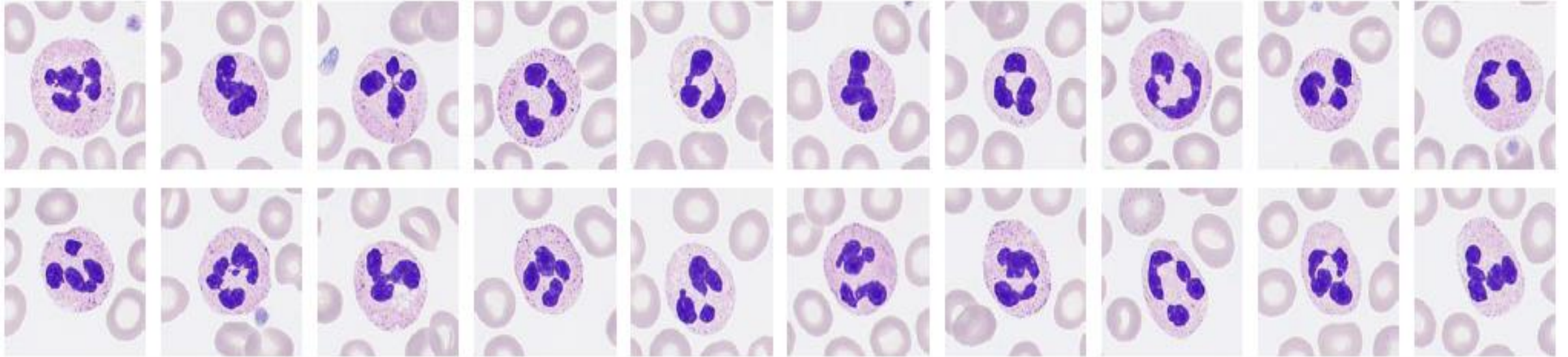
- The details of nucleus and chromatin not clear , The nucleus like solid dark stain





## Case Background

- Neutrophil: Nucleus is dark and not all cells same , some cells are good and same field there is cells with very dark



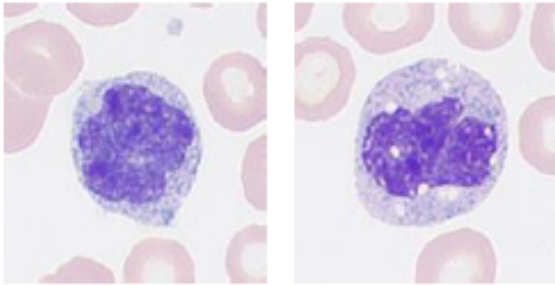
## Case Background

- Monocytes: Nucleus Should be blue to grey , can't distinguish the cell type easily.

Monocytes

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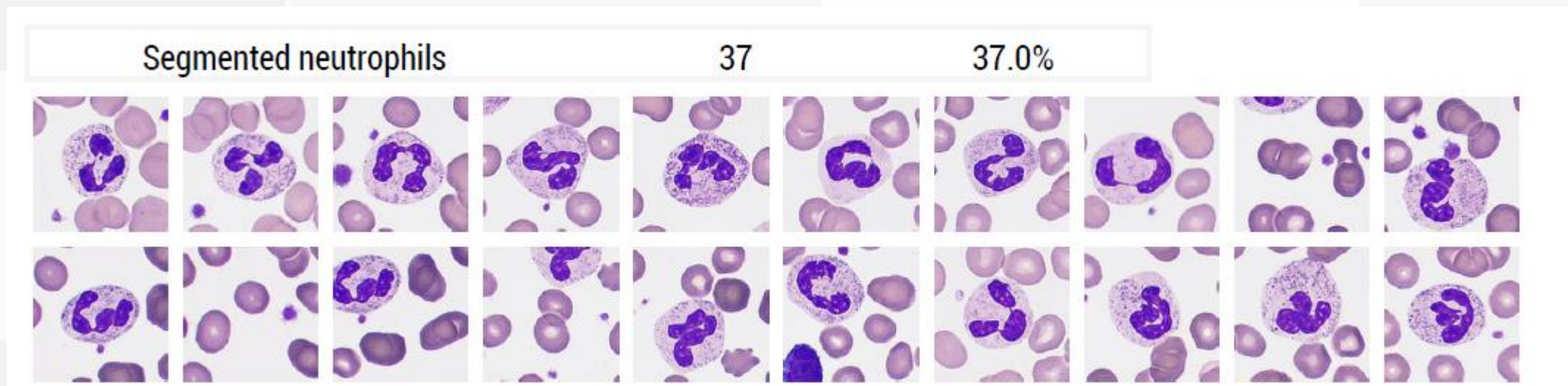
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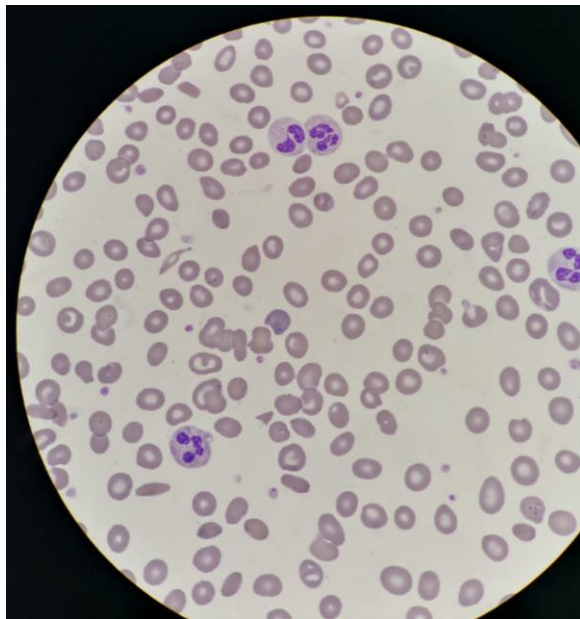


## Case Idea

This slide prepared and stained manually, and read it on MC-80 . have a good performance



The issue from stain or MC-80??



# Case Idea

Try to use different stain protocol , check with end user to achieve the requirements.

**No Methanol Prefix, 1+1/3+5,**

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## Stain Protocol

Dispense StainA:1 time

Dispense StainB:1 time

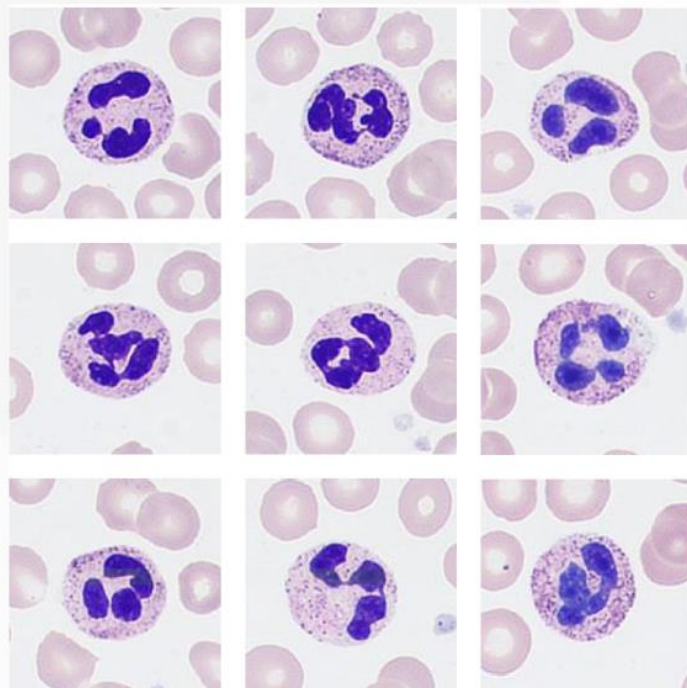
Step1:Methanol Prefix 0.0min

Step2:Stain1 3.0min

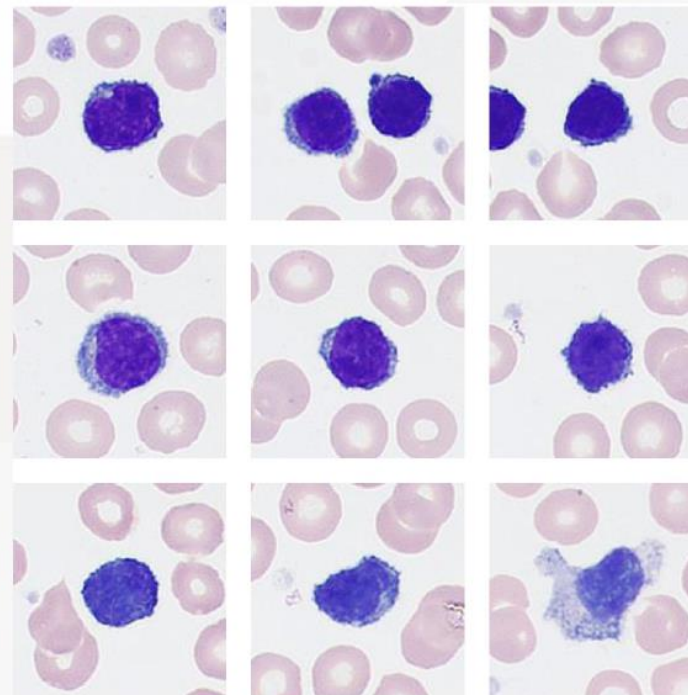
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Step4:Wash Times 4

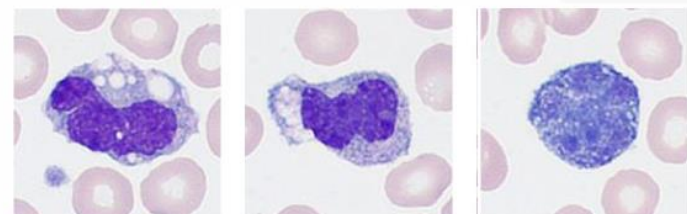
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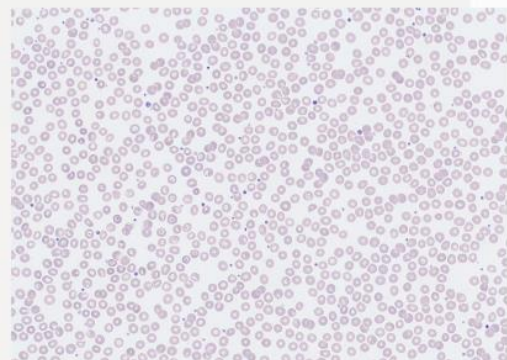
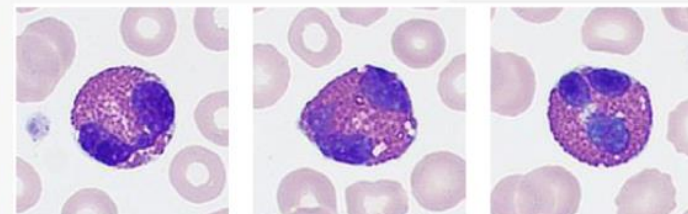
Lymphocytes



Monocytes



Eosinophils



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# Case Idea

1.5min Methanol Prefix, 0+1/3+5

## Stain Protocol

Dispense StainA:0 time

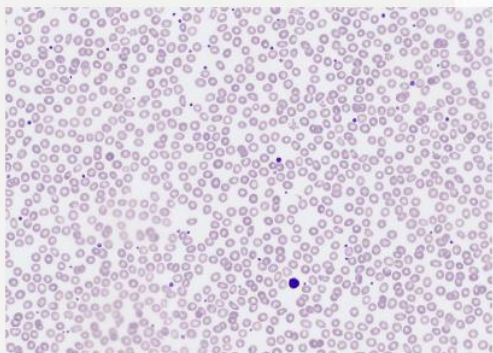
Dispense StainB:1 time

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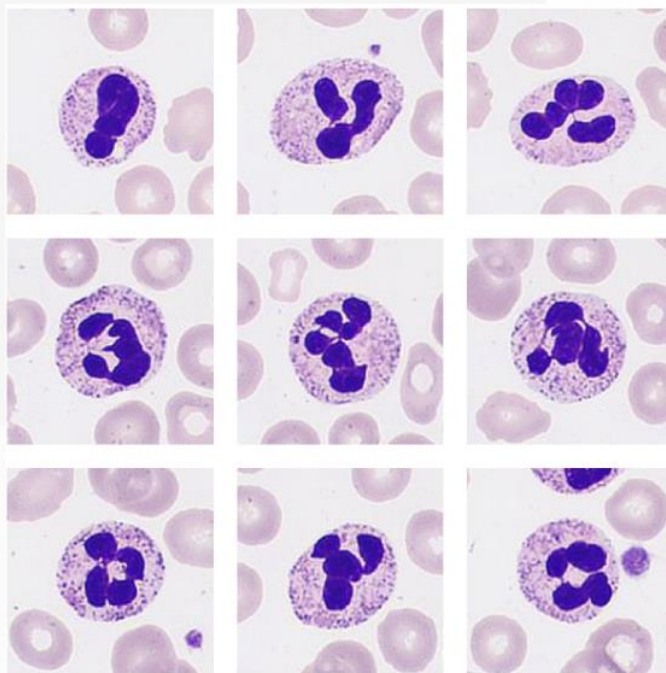
Step2:Stain1 3.0min

Step3:Stain2 5.0min

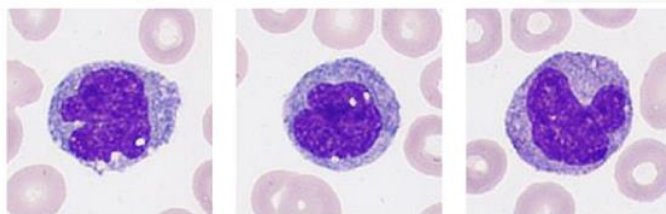
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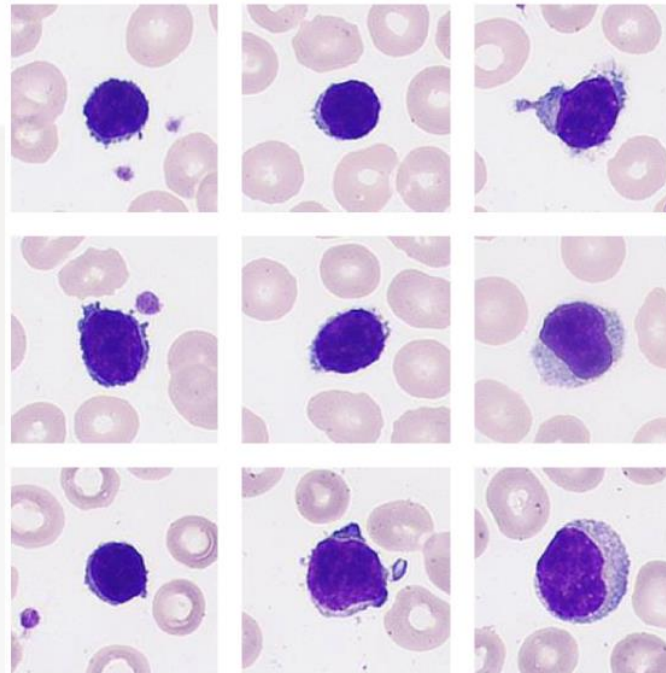
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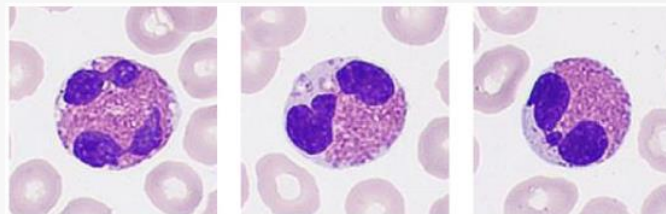
Monocytes



Lymphocytes



Eosinophils



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# Case Idea

1.5min Methanol Prefix, 0+1/0.5+3

## Stain Protocol

Dispense StainA:0 time

Dispense StainB:1 time

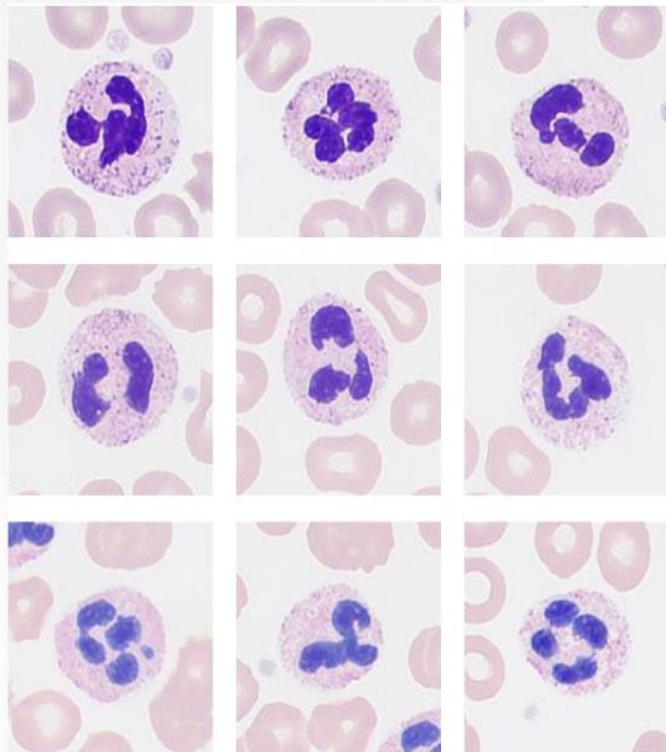
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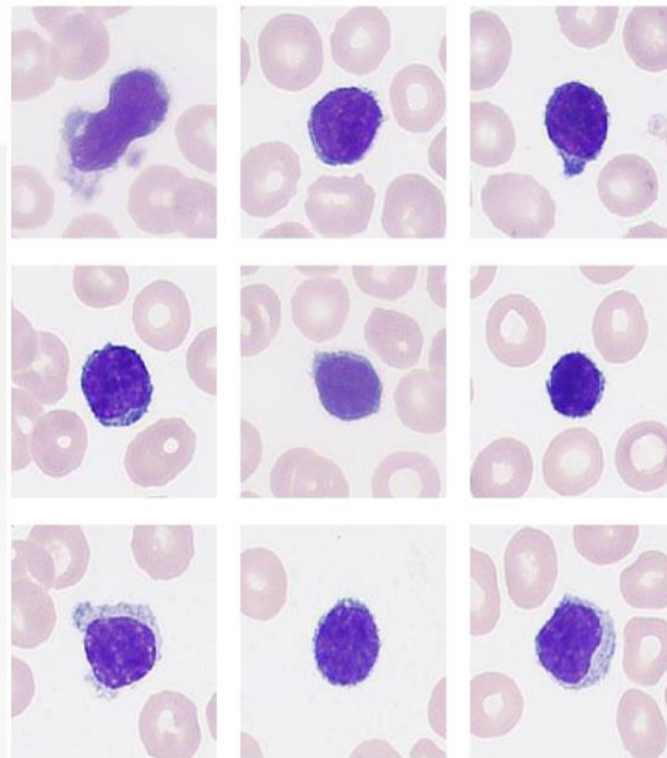
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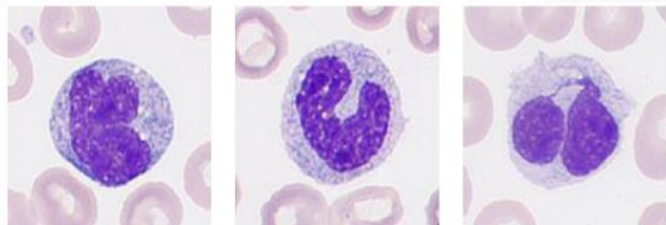
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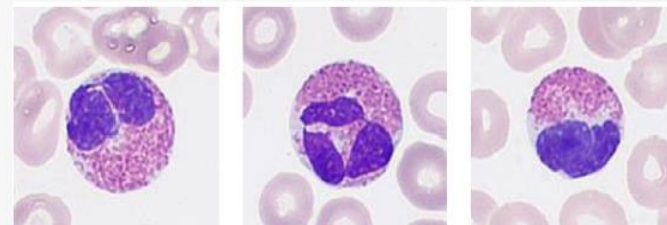
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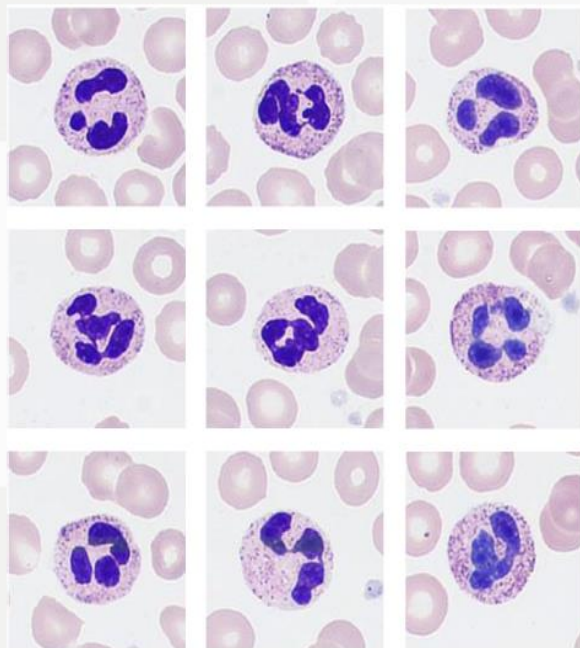
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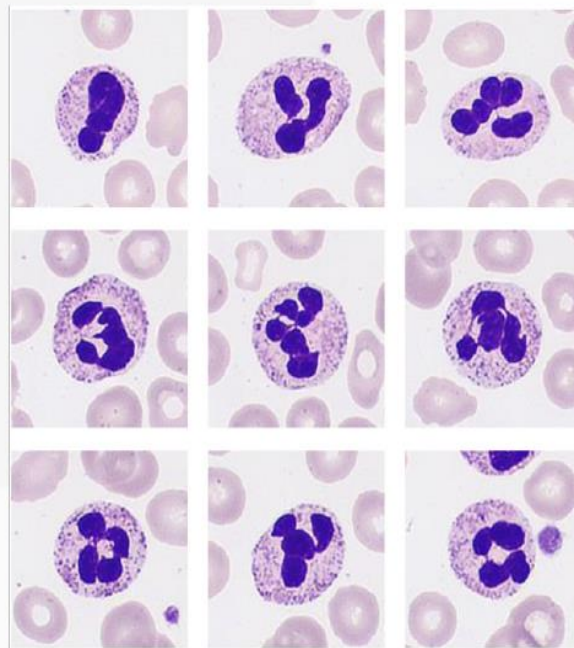
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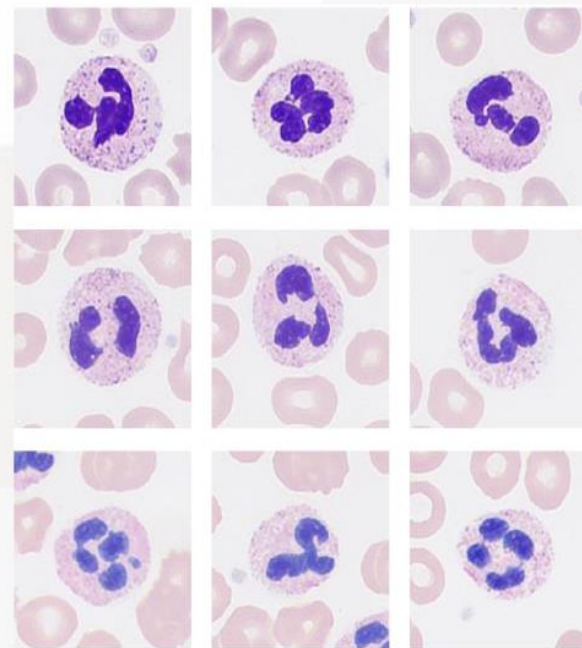
1+1/3+5



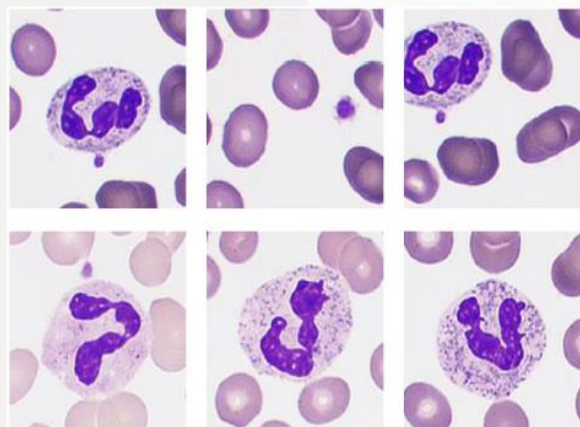
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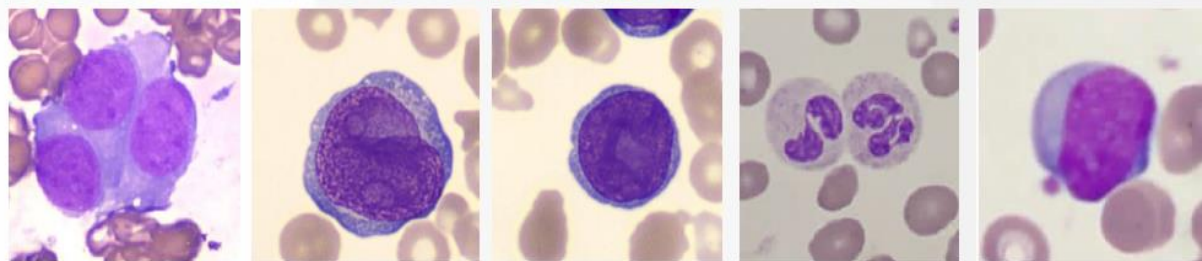
0+1/0.5+3



Manual Stain



Expecting Effect



# Root Cause

## Cells dying fault :

Root Cause: The minimum staining time is still producing darkly stained nuclei with low nuclear content resolution, it is due to the Merck reagent formulation and cannot be changed.

This is a characteristic issue of the staining solution and not a problem with Mindray products like SC120 or MC80.

Buffer PH changed to 6.8 , but the effect still for Monocyte is blue

The recommendation to try other brands of reagents and Buffer PH to 6.8

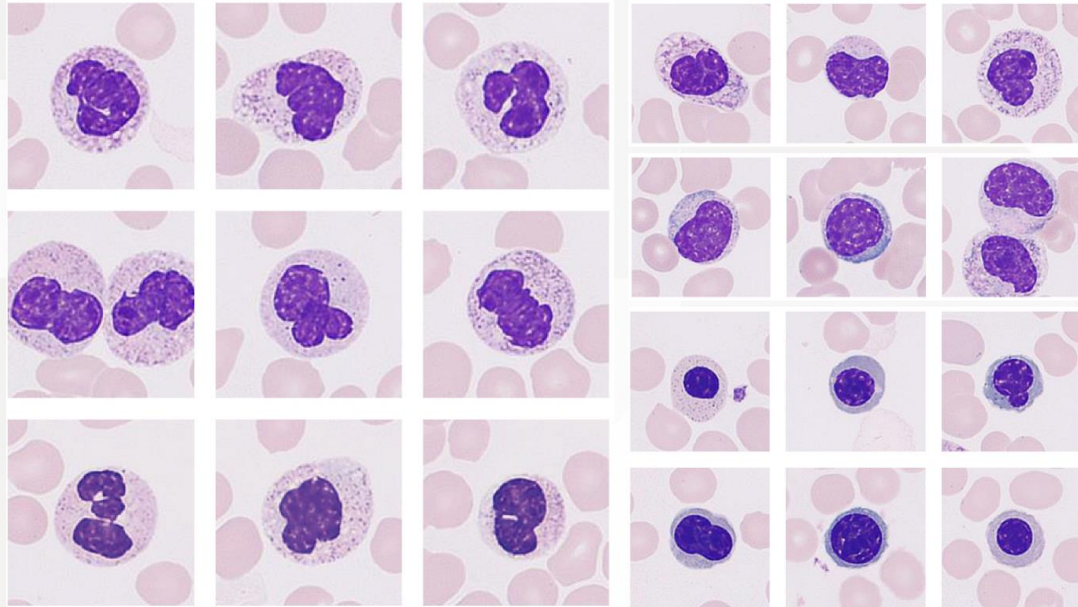
# Case Solution

## ➤ Chromatin and Nucleus of Diff cells :

By using Baso brand Stain , Single stain : Wright-Giemsa stain.

Use of several stain protocol to achieve customer requirement

**BASO New stainA+7.2bufer 1/1+1**



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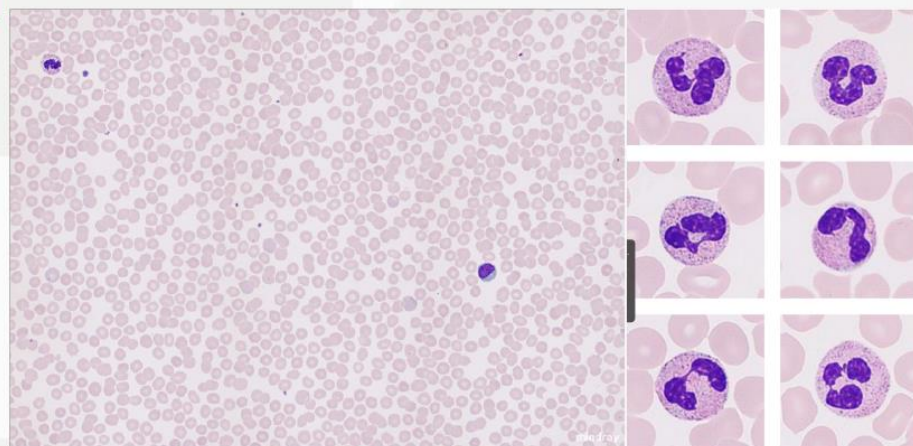


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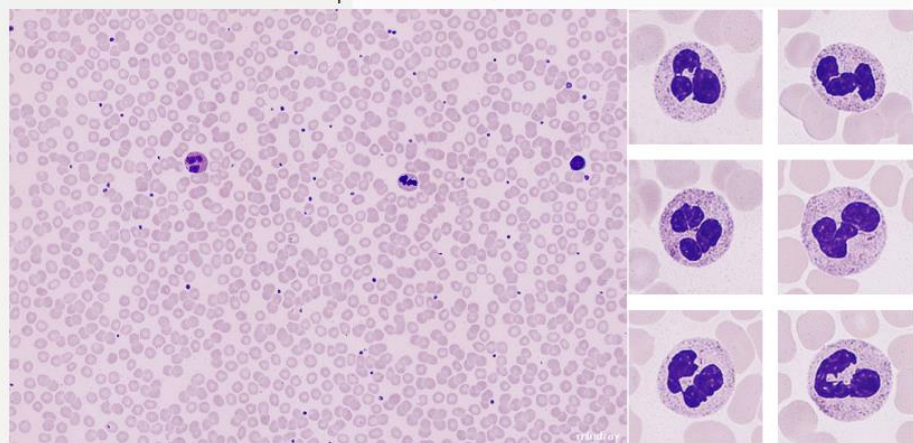
Different stain protocol by using PH 7.2 Buffer.

The effect better than Merck but the cells look more darker than Microscope

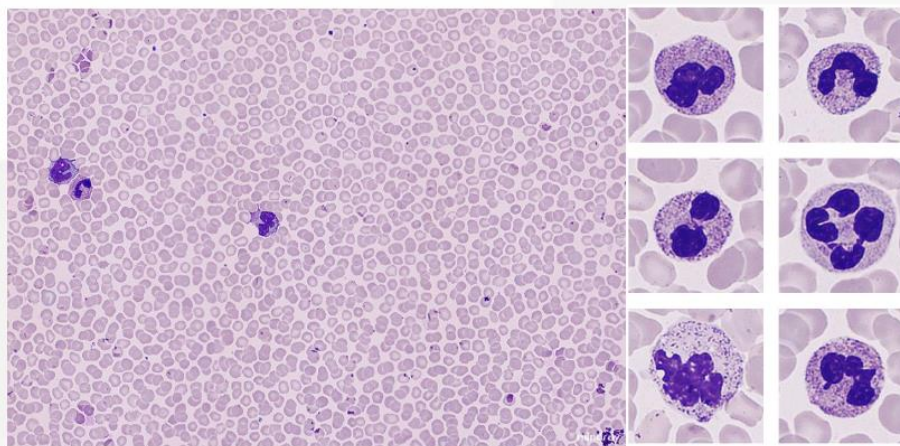
## BASO Reagent effect



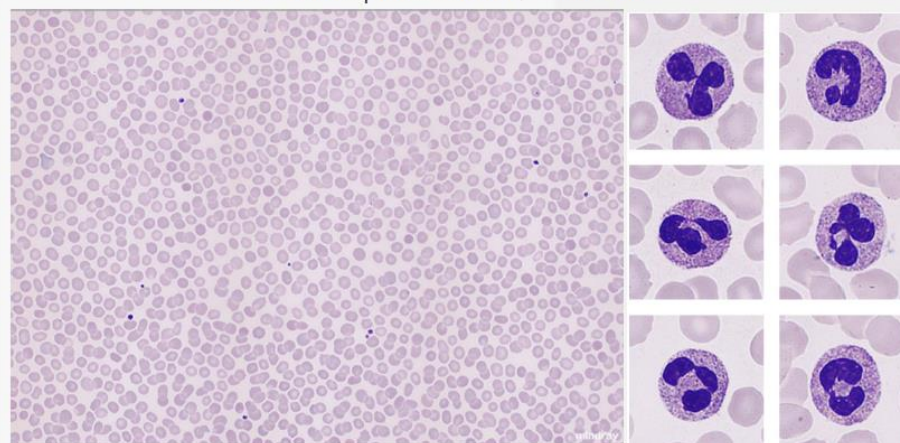
New StainA&pH7.2 Buffer; 1/1+1



StainA&pH7.2 Buffer; 2/3+5



New StainA&pH7.2 Buffer; 4/3+8.5



StainA&pH7.2 Buffer; 4/3+5

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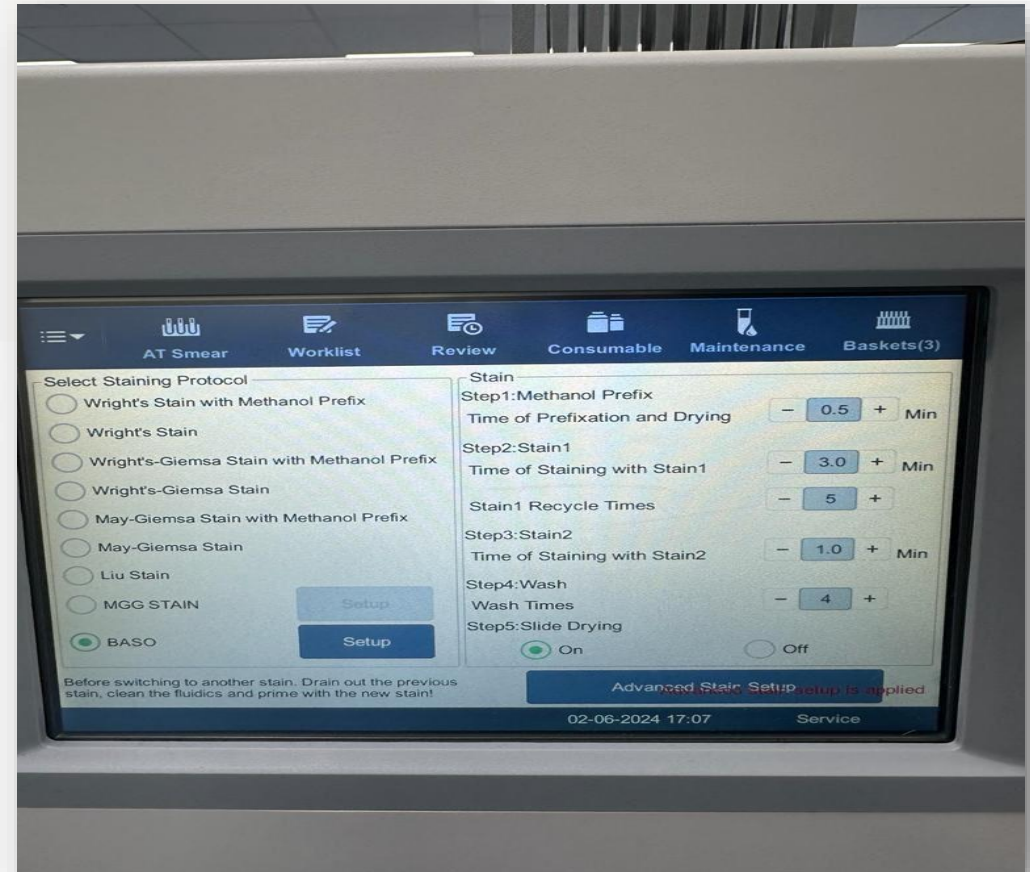
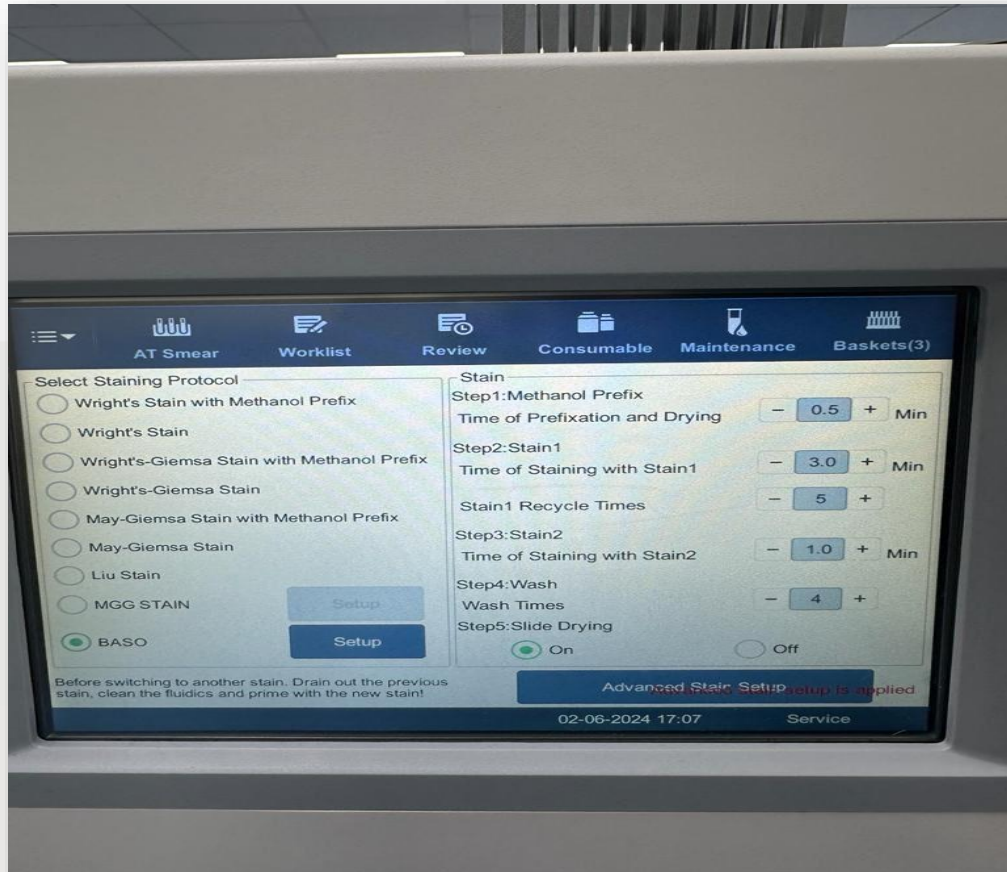
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## Case Solution

The final stain protocol using PH 6.8 Buffer.  
Using PH 6.8 Buffer.



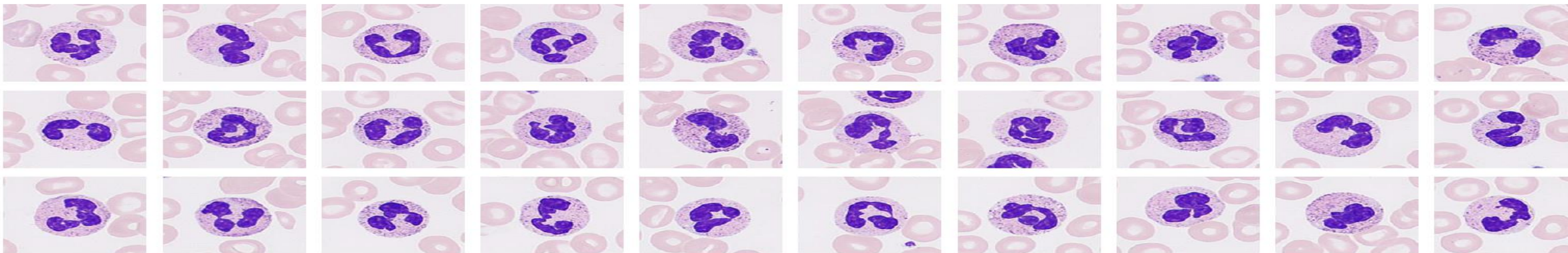
## Case Solution

The final stain protocol using PH 6.8 Buffer

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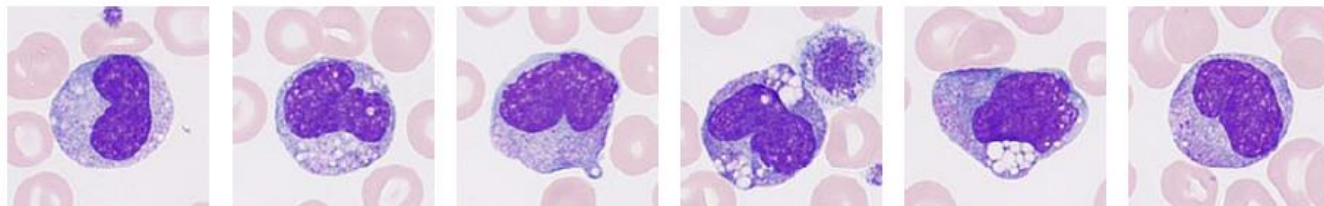
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Monocytes

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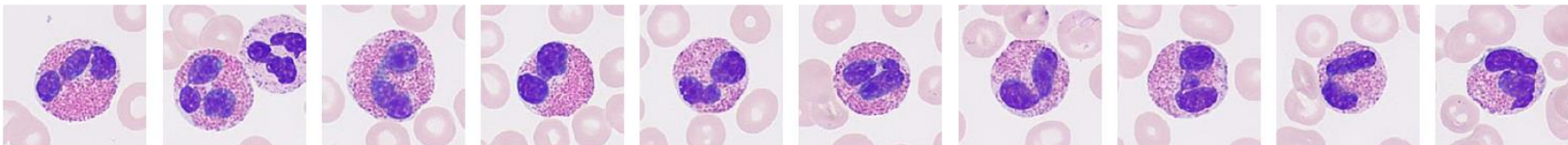
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Eosinophils

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## Case Solution

- Poor nuclear quality contrast, nuclear staining too dark and lack of detail, MC80 erythrocytes are satisfactory but microscopy effect is too pale

Root cause: colour deviation and insufficient resolution of the touch screen.

Suggested measures: Install PC' with 4K screen and guide customers to view the results on the 4K monitor.

Expected results: the overall colour effect of staining is not too dark and consistent with the microscope, the 4K screen provides more detailed information in the nucleus.

Effect: Issue solved.

# Thanks!

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